



Lt. Col. George Cargill (far left) goes over debriefing with participating members of search crews following one of more than three dozen sorties during recent SARCAP.

CAP NOTES TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY NEXT MONTH

President Lyndon B. Johnson has proclaimed December 1 as National Civil Air Patrol Day, marking a quarter of a century of outstanding service to the nation in providing aerospace education, aviation training and community development throughout the United States.

Organized one week before Pearl Harbor, the Civil Air Patrol played a vital role during World War II, continued to grow and expand across the nation and has become an important part in the education program of many schools.

The first National Commander of the Civil Air Patrol, General John F. Currie, former Commanding Officer of Lowry Air Force Base, still resides in Denver. Colorado, one of the outstanding Civil Air Patrol states in the nation, has consistently ranked high in all areas of training, membership, and search and rescue operations.

Local Civil Air Patrol units throughout the state are urged to conduct their own local observances of Civil Air Patrol Day on December 1.

SARCAP SWINGIN' SUCCESS !!

Sky Ranch Airport just outside Denver was the scene and nerve center of one of the most successful SARCAP operations ever conducted by Colorado Wing, 8 October '66. Over 250 CAP cadets and seniors from all over Colorado assembled for the annual simulated air rescue operation.

Nineteen aircraft, many of them privately owned by CAP members, and 56 ground vehicles, many of which were equipped with radios, covered the 180 square miles included in the practice search.

Setting up the test problem was a 4-man Air Force group headed by Col. P. J. Markham and Lt. Col. Jack Voelker. For CAP, Col. Herb Shearer initiated the SARCAP test in the absence of Col. Putz. Major Bill Miles was designated Mission Commander.

The simulated mission was authorized at 1600 MST, 7 October, authorizing search for a pilot who had left Las Vegas, Nevada at 1000, bound for Sky Ranch Airport via

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HERE TODAY!! LONDON YESTERDAY!! THE AIR AGE!!

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"Here Today, London Yesterday" was the headline of a recent news article telling one of several developments of the Air Age. The article stated that due to speed of the aircraft and the time changes involved, it would soon be possible to leave New York today and arrive in London yesterday. Are we in the Education profession keeping up with developments in industry and research? Are we giving students the best opportunity available to them today? Aviation Education will help us be able to give a positive answer to these questions. Aviation Education is somewhat new to many school officials throughout the nation. Aviation Education as taught in many high schools is not a technical course for training pilots. mechanics and ticket agents.

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 It is a general course aimed at giving every student a better understanding of the implications of the Air Age and thereby setting the stage for an air-minded citizenry, which would, since it would be more informed, be a better citizenry. Therein lies the basic philosophy behind the efforts of the U. S. Air Force and the Civil Air Patrol, an official civilian auxiliary of the Air Force.

We all believe that any individual will become a better citizen if he knows about and understands what is going on in the world around him. Certainly in our world today with the vast scientific research that is being centered around air and space, a small knowledge of some of the basic understandings will enhance our roles as citizens in the aero-space age in which we live.

GROUP III JOINS IN KID'S DAY

Three Group III squadrons recently participated in Kid's Day activities jointly sponsored by the Air Force and the Kiwanis Club at Peterson Field, Colorado Springs. At the invitation of Ent Air Force Base officials, the Fremont-Starfire Cadet Squadron of Canon City, Security Cadet Squadron of Security, Colorado, and the Colorado Springs Composite Squadron operated a food concession at the affair. In addition, between 15 and 20 cadets performed guard duty around the static aircraft & NASA exhibits and at the fire-fighting demonstration

ROCKY MOUNTAIN COMP. SQ. HOLDS SURPRISE PARTY

Members of the Rocky Mountain Comp. Squadron held a surprise birthday party for Lorrie Martinez, mascot of the squadron, on October 13. It turned out to be quite a surprise for the senior members when Lt. Col. Nathan Baum, Commander of Group I, appeared and made the following promotions: Capt. Don Van Gundy, Commander to the rank of Major; Warrant Officer William Martinez, Operations, to Chief Warrant Officer; SM Eleanor Arhutick to the rank of Warrant Officer; and SM George Smith to the rank of Master Sergeant.

The following guests were present: Mrs. Julia Van Gundy, wife of the Commander; Lt. Col. D. M. Buttitta and Mrs. Buttitta; Major Jean Ferrell, Capt. Chris Cheney, Capt. Tuthill, Mrs. Robert Warner, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Peffer, Mrs. Isaac Tennant. Among the new senior members present were: Arthur Garcia, Isaac Salaz, William Romero, Isaac Tennant and Robert Warner. The complete cadet squadron also attended.

site. Ent AFB officials were highly impressed with the assistance rendered by the CAP and wrote letters of appreciation to each participating squadron and the Group III Commander.

CAP support at the activity greatly reduced the Air Force's requirements for Air Police guards and provided valuable experience for the CAP cadets. It also permitted the Civil Air Patrol to repay the Air Force for the outstanding support they have provided the Civil Air Patrol in the Colorado Springs area over the last 10 years.

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Walsenburg, Pueblo & Kiowa.
Last known position for the
"red and white" plane was over
Walsenburg. As soon as CAP
was notified, a routine route
search was dispatched from
Denver but found no trace of
the missing aircraft.

By 0800 Saturday morning, CAP had eight planes and 28 ground units on a thorough search with emphasis on the Black Forest area.

The "lost" plane was located at 1420, two miles south of Riverside Reservoir near Strasburg by the search SECURITY CAP CADETS MEET IN NEW RECREATION CENTER

The village of Security, Colorado, is justly proud of a newly completed recreation center, and the CAP cadets of this progressive community are fortunate in having meeting facilities in the new center.

The recreation complex, as versatile and complete as it is beautiful, includes a library, a fully equipped arts and crafts section, modern kitchen & dining facilities, several well-designed meeting rooms, administrative offices, a large indoor swimming pool, and other recreational aids.

Captain Reese E. Otts, Commander of the Security Cadet Squadron, has been working closely with Parks & Recreation Director Paul Morris in arranging for the use of the new facility by the squadron. Especially suited for the cadet training program, one of the center's large meeting rooms can be partitioned into three units, facilitating simultaneous instruction in each of the three training phases.

plane piloted by Lt. William C. Wilson of Estes Park Sq., with Major Mary Mack and Norman Kholos of Denver and Lt. Don Hutchins, also of Estes, aboard.

Major Abe Ohr, Assistant Aerospace Education Officer for Colorado Wing, who was in charge of the flight line, had special praise for the six cadets who manned the flight line during the operation. As a result of their efficient work, the 19 aircraft participating were able to maintain continuous operation with no delays. Even though several of the cadets had no previous experience, Major Ohr stated their performance was superior and will be the subject of letters of commendation.

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Mr. George Rick, former cadet of the Rocky Mt. Comp. Squadron, is now serving in the Armed Forces. George joined the CAP in 1964 and obtained the rank of Cadet 2/C before becoming a senior member.

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Other Security CAP news includes the recent appointment of the Reverend Wayne Randolph to the office of Chaplain of the Security Squadron. As Chaplain, Pastor Randolph holds the commensurate grade of CAP Captain and is responsible for the moral leadership phase of the cadet program. While his official appointment was received only recently, Chaplain Randolph has been serving the squadron throughout the summer.

Security Squadron meetings are held each Monday evening at 7 o'clock on the second floor of the new recreation center.

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# FORT CARSON SQUADRON ASSISTS IN SEARCH

Ft. Carson Emergency Services Squadron assisted in a search for a light plane which crashed near Green Horn Mountain in southern Colorado on 24 September. The plane, a single engine Mooney with 3 college students aboard, clipped the top of several trees and cart-wheeled into the ground. The pilot and 1 passenger were killed almost instantly; however, the lone survivor, a coed from Colorado State College, managed to walk barefoot through the rugged mountain country for almost 2 days before being found by a family on an outing. The plane was not missed for some time since the pilot had not filed a flight plan. Local CAP units went into action almost immediately, however, strong winds and bad weather hampered the search.

Major John Comstock of the Steel City Group, acted as Mission Coordinator and Elmer Smaller of Canon City, and Jerry Eubanks, also of Pueblo, piloted the search planes.

Three members of the Squadron, Gary Ayres, and Mark and Fred Engle, civilians from Ft. Carson, were in the ground party that reached the crash site. These three experienced climbers assist in practically all air crashes in Colorado, doing a tremendously important job. Many of the missions require long horseback and foot trips into remote areas.

Lt. Col. Leo Wells, Director of Emergency Services for Colorado Wing, commended Lt. John Cole, CO of the Squadron, and other participating members on an outstanding job.



EDLINGS REAL CAP FAMILY

Leon Edling comes from a CAP family, and they are very proud of him -- with just cause.

Leon joined the CAP on Jan. 19, 1959. Within 6 months he had earned his Certificate of Proficiency. At that time he had the highest score on the entire course and had finished it in the shortest time of any previous cadet in the Grand Junction Squadron.

COLORADO CADETS TO FAAOC

C/2Lt. Dan Madsen, of
Lowry Comp. Sqdn., & C/Maj.
Pat Penny, Aurora Comp.
Sqdn., in company with cadets from 50 other Wings,
attended a jointly sponsored Federal Aviation
Agency-CAP training course in air traffic, air navigation and flight standards at Oklahoma City.
Climax of the course was a flight in a C-141 "Starlifter".

He didn't stop at this, however. He was made Cadet Commander in 1961 and again in 1962. Leon received his fixed wing pilot license in August 1961. Later, in December of that year, he became a CAP pilot. In '62 he took Jet Orientation at Perrin AFB, Texas. And in October 1962 he became a Senior Member.

Leon entered the U. S. Army in 1964. He entered

At the request of Wing, Group I participated in Kiwanis Kid's Day held at Sky Ranch airport. They had 3 aircraft, vehicles and emergency rescue equipment on display. A recruiting area was manned by members of the Aurora Squadron the entire day.

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Maj. Eleanor Weigand, CO of Squadron 11, is planning a winter encampment for the Christmas holidays primarily for Group I people which will be closely related to Civil Defense work and emergency living in bomb shelters. Details have not yet been worked out.

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for W/O Rotary Wing Aviation Course. He received his Wings in Feb. '65. In March, 1965 he went to Viet Nam and flew with Cobra (armed) Platoon, 1-14th Aviation Co., Air Mobile Light, which operated throughout Viet Nam.



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